

THE LEGISLATURE.

Both Houses have spent the first week of the session in organizing. That being accomplished, there is nothing now in the way of an energetic despatch of the public business.

The following are the officers of the Senate:
Speaker—Gen. E. P. COOPER, of Henderson.
President Clerk—D. D. HARRIS, of Davidson.
Assistant Clerk—D. D. HARRIS, of Davidson.
Deputy—LEAHY DAVIS, of Greene county.
House—WILLIAM ROBERTSON.

The House of Representatives has elected the following officers:

Speaker—WILLIAM H. CRYSTAL, of Bedford.
President Clerk—R. B. CRYSTAL, of Robertson.
Assistant Clerk—HENRY HOSS, of Washington.
Deputy Clerk—ALEX. HENRY, of Bradley.
Principal Doorkeeper—MR. PHILIPS, of Campbell.
Assistant Doorkeeper—W. H. FENWELL, of Henderson.

Of all these officers it does not become us to speak. Of the principal clerk of the Senate we may say that he is greatly appreciated by the substantial compliment bestowed upon him in his election, and of the other clerks of the two Houses we are confident that it will hereafter be said that they are the equals, at least, of any of their predecessors in industry and capacity.

MR. MARCY'S LETTER.

We have read attentively, and with feelings of patriotic pride, the letter of our Secretary of State on the Kossuth case, which is emphatically the great document of the day. It is destined to secure for the distinguished Secretary the commendation of the American people, in spite of party divisions and animosities. It is an American document throughout, characterized by a spirit of lofty patriotism, a just regard for the rights of others, and a determination to uphold our own in the face of the whole world. We are much mistaken if this document does not secure to the administration new supporters at home, and add much to its reputation abroad. It is not necessary that we should enter into any lengthy comments upon this document. Its positions are impregnable, sustained as they are by an array of facts and authorities, and the most conclusive argumentation. These positions may be briefly stated to be:

1st. Kossuth, as a foreigner domiciled here, and having fled his petition for naturalization, became clothed with American citizenship, and that upon his visit to Turkey, *unus reus*, his American nationality was with him, and entitled him to claim American protection.

2d. By the laws of Turkey a foreigner visiting that country is authorized to designate any flag under which he may wish to claim protection. Availing himself of this law, Kossuth had placed himself under the protection of the American flag.

3d. By the law of humanity, Capt. INGRAM had a right to interfere and prevent a cruel outrage upon Kossuth's individual rights.

Upon these distinct and impregnable grounds the administration declines to disavow the acts of its agents in this affair, and refuses to countenance Austria's claim for satisfaction on account of these acts. It moreover signifies to the Emperor of Austria its confident expectation that he will take the proper measures to cause MARTIN KOSZUTH to be restored to the same condition he was in before he was seized in the streets of Smyrna on the 21st of June last. With this significant intimation, the letter is left, for the present, as it should be, to the "second sober thought" of the Austrian government. It is "second sober thought" does not induce Austria to do full justice in the premises, the consequences cannot but be of the most serious character, and whatever they may be, in the eyes of the world the American government will stand fully justified.

In its comments upon Mr. Marcy's letter, the Washington Union remarks: "But it is as an exposition of the spirit which animates and inspires the foreign policy of President Pierce that this letter of the Secretary of State will attract most attention. Without dwelling upon the comparative importance of other great questions of foreign policy, to which the attention of the administration must have been directed, and which may be long absorbed the public interest, we may say that we have in this letter a most conspicuous and significant commentary upon the noble declarations of the inaugural Address. While excluding any purpose to stir or protect sectional political passions, and drawing the necessary distinction between the citizen and the non-citizen, it will carry a new sense of security to every man who in foreign lands may rightfully claim the protection of the United States. It will give a new illustration of the position of our country among the nations, and by every earnest and judicious advocate of the liberal cause throughout the world, it will be hailed with a satisfaction, all the more profound because the policy which it proclaims and vindicates is based upon those principles of international law and justice which form the only guarantee of the peace of Christendom."

THE POLICY OF THE ADMINISTRATION.
We make below an extract from the Washington Star, the paper lately published at Washington, City, by Mr. E. P. COOPER. It was said, before its appearance, that this journal was to be established to make war upon the administration in its policy of appointments to office. The extract we make shows this supposition to have been entirely unfounded, and we think that it contains reasonable and just views of the subject:

"The point of the Administration—We perceive, in many of our exchanges, attacks upon the administration for the manner in which the public patronage has been distributed in the north and northern States. The fact was well known, and established to make war upon the administration in its policy of appointments to office. The extract we make shows this supposition to have been entirely unfounded, and we think that it contains reasonable and just views of the subject:

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"In the midst of the anti-slavery excitement, and when the Union was in the greatest jeopardy, General Taylor appointed leading freeholders, prominent citizens, and under the direction of such men as Thomas Ewing, of Ohio, and William H. Seward, of New York, conferred a vast majority of the offices in the north and northwest upon the friends of the Union. The fact was well known, and established to make war upon the administration in its policy of appointments to office. The extract we make shows this supposition to have been entirely unfounded, and we think that it contains reasonable and just views of the subject:

TENNESSEE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE—MONDAY SESSION.

On motion by Mr. ROBERTSON, the Senate took up the resolution offered yesterday by Mr. MARCY, to prohibit smoking in the hall. The resolution was adopted.

The resolution proposing to drop the hindmost candidate in subsequent votes for doorkeeper was taken up and rejected. Yeas 10, nays 14.

The Senate then resumed the election of doorkeeper.

During the election, Mr. NAYLOR introduced a resolution to drop the hindmost candidate, but the Senate refused to suspend the rule.

A resolution to elect, subsequently offered by Mr. DAVIS, was adopted.

Pending the election, the Senate took a recess until 2 o'clock.

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OAKLAND RACES—FIRST DAY.

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First Day.—The mare (Maid of Orleans) led off and was trailed with an occasional brush through the first heat. The first mile was permitted to be run in 2:45, and the second in 2:50, while the third was run in 2:55. The race was consequently a very close one, and the result was a very close one.

Second Heat.—The mare (Maid of Orleans) led off and was trailed with an occasional brush through the first heat. The first mile was permitted to be run in 2:45, and the second in 2:50, while the third was run in 2:55. The race was consequently a very close one, and the result was a very close one.

Third Heat.—The mare (Maid of Orleans) led off and was trailed with an occasional brush through the first heat. The first mile was permitted to be run in 2:45, and the second in 2:50, while the third was run in 2:55. The race was consequently a very close one, and the result was a very close one.

Fourth Heat.—The mare (Maid of Orleans) led off and was trailed with an occasional brush through the first heat. The first mile was permitted to be run in 2:45, and the second in 2:50, while the third was run in 2:55. The race was consequently a very close one, and the result was a very close one.

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Ninth Heat.—The mare (Maid of Orleans) led off and was trailed with an occasional brush through the first heat. The first mile was permitted to be run in 2:45, and the second in 2:50, while the third was run in 2:55. The race was consequently a very close one, and the result was a very close one.

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